



Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: The examiner and applicant discussed new claims 31-48, and patentability of each of the three independent claims 31, 38 and 44. It was agreed that the claims are allowable based on the following:

As per Claims 32,33,34,35 and 37: The 1st line of each claim should begin with the recitation, "The method of Claim 31".

The applicant has canceled Claim 36.

The applicant has canceled Claim 47.

The applicant has amended Claim 31 beginning at line 10, deleting the recitation to the end of the claim. And, beginning at line 10, adding the following: "determining that the buffer circuit is operational by generating a pass signal in response to a difference between the delay of the strobe signal associated with the first signal and the delay of the strobe signal associated with the second signal being indicative of an improper strobe window.".

The applicant has amended Claim 44 beginning at the last line 9, deleting the period at the end of the claim. And, beginning at line 9 after the last word of the claim, adding the following: "indicating a pass status in response to a difference between the delay of the strobe signal associated with at least one latched bit differing from its corresponding driven bit and the delay of the strobe signal associated with all latched bits differ from their corresponding driven bits being indicative of a proper strobe window.".

It was also agreed that Claim 38 is allowable in its present form..